My Covid Almanac

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Covid has changed our lives, but we all dealt with it. The second I heard we were going into lockdown in March 2020, I was excited because it was new for me and for everybody else, but at the same time I was thinking, "Will I ever see my friends again?" and "How long will this last?", but obviously nobody knew the answers to that and had to work at home.

May came along and we were still in lockdown, by that time people were getting sick of COVID and I was sick of it too, because we couldn't do anything; when I say *anything,* I mean not even go to the swimming centre, or to the parks because they were all closed. Finally June came and my birthday month, but we were still in lockdown! I had to wait 30 days for my birthday as it's on the last day of June. When it finally arrived, I couldn't do anything really, I got some presents off my dad which he posted to me because he was in Poland and he couldn't come here, and my mum got me some gifts too.

I think we were all waiting for this month to come: August. Six weeks holiday, I guess you could say that Covid started to cool down a little bit so we could play out with some of our friends and the parks were opened. Usually in the holidays I go to Bulgaria to see my family, but this year I couldn't, but I did get to go to Poland. When I arrived in Poland with my dad, we visited my cousins and my grandad, and three days later my two cousins. My dad, my aunty and uncle and I all went to a beautiful place called Corfu in Greece.

We stayed in Corfu for ten days; for the first five days we stayed at this house and we had a pool there, we went to beautiful beaches and we even rented a boat and we to the sea to find hidden beaches, and me and my cousins went snorkelling under the water to find fish, the next five days we went to this hotel and it was really cool; it was a lot of fun.

In September, I started school at a brand new school, but again Covid was here! I started school at Dame Allan's Girls' School and I was really nervous because I didn't know anybody there. Everybody was kind there on my first day and three days later I made new friends, you're probably wondering why three days later? Well here is the truth… I'm shy, but I did talk to some people on the first day I think? And we have to wear masks at school and we have to do the one way system. School was really fun and I started to talk to more people.

October is here, yay Halloween! Well... not exactly, we were told we weren't allowed to go trick or treating due to Covid, can you believe it? I thought this was going to be another bad month... well not exactly. One day, after school my uncle picked me up from school and he took me home... When I opened the door, my mum was standing near my living room door (which was closed) and my first thought that came to my mind was Cocoa, if you don't know who Cocoa is, she is my mum's friend's dog that we used to look after and Archie the dog. And the reason I thought 'Cocoa' is because I saw a small shadow of a dog behind the door...As she opened the door, I saw a small gold figure...was it Archie the dog? He's a Golden Cocker Spaniel...but no, it was too small to be Archie. Then, I saw two tiny cute golden Cocker Spaniels, at first I actually didn't believe they were mine, but my Mum already called them Isaac and Newton, I know, like the scientist.

In December, I found out that after the Christmas holidays, we would have to do online lessons with our teacher for two weeks. I was quite excited because we get to use Google Meets and we can stay at home...but somehow that two weeks turned into two months.

Now we are finally back at school… in March 2021!